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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Houser et al.

Filed: April 16, 2004

Group Art Unit: 3734

Serial No: 10/825,785

Examiner: K. M. Dowe

For: SHAPING SUTURE FOR TREATING CONGESTIVE HEART
FAILURE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

M/S Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Reply is in response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2006 in the above-captioned application. After taking a two-month extension of time, this response is now due on or before March 3, 2007.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.